

CANDU Zr-2.5Nb Delayed Hydride Cracking

Delayed Hydride Cracking Characteristics of CANDU Zr-2.5Nb Pressure Tube with the direction

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Zr-2.5Nb DHC - ,
 Zr-2.5Nb compact tension (CT) cantilever beam (CB)
 DHC ,
 2 mm 300 °C
 Zr-2.5Nb
 , 가 DHC
 , DHC 가 ,
 Zr-2.5Nb
 DHC

ABSTRACT

To explain the anisotropy of delayed hydride cracking velocity and threshold stress intensity factor, K_{IH} in the longitudinal and radial directions of CANDU Zr-2.5Nb pressure tube, DHC tests were conducted on the compact tension (CT) and cantilever beam (CB) specimens taken from a Zr-2.5Nb pressure tube. Furthermore, tensile tests were conducted on small specimens with a gauge length of about 2 mm, taken from three directions of the tube. Tensile strength of Zr-2.5Nb was higher in the longitudinal direction rather than the radial direction and its strain hardening rate after yielding was higher in the axial direction rather than in the radial direction. A change in texture before and after DHC tests was also confirmed, suggesting that part of applied stress is released in inducing the twinning. Thus, the anisotropic DHC velocity and K_{IH} in Zr-2.5Nb tubes with the direction was discussed based on the stress gradient between the crack tip and a place far away from the notch tip and textural change with the direction.

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가 Zr-2.5Nb 가 delayed hydride cracking (DHC) , [1].

DHC 가 [2] Zr-2.5Nb
 DHC (texture) DHC (habit plane)
 DHC 가 DHC (threshold stress intensity factor, K_{IH})
 가 가 (1 [3] 2 [4-9].
 Zr-2.5Nb
 DHC twining
 가 DHC

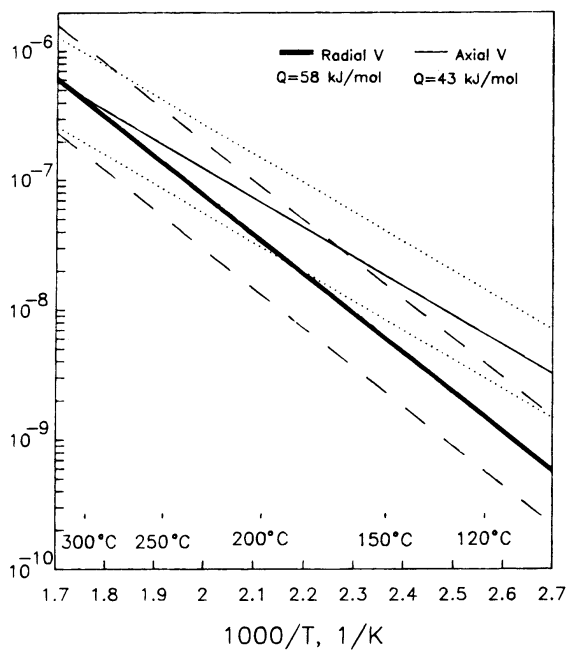


Fig. 1. Comparison of DHC velocity in the radial and longitudinal direction [3]

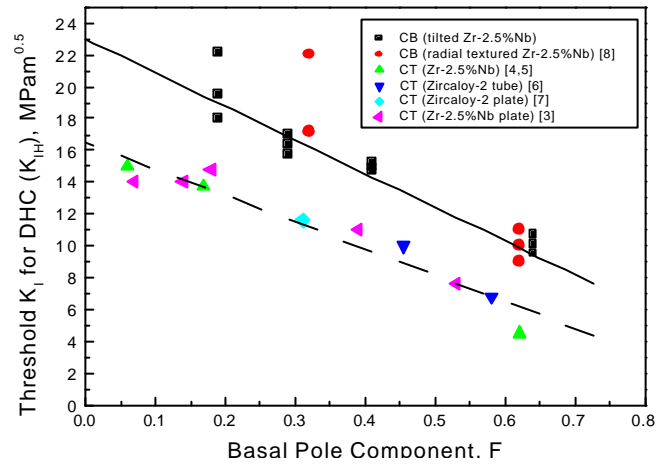


Fig. 2. Comparisons of K_{IH} determined from CT and CB specimens with the basal pole components in Zircaloy-2 and Zr-2.5Nb alloys.

2.

DHC 3 60 ppm 가 cantilever beam (CB)
 compact tension (CT) 250 °C CB CT DHC
 [4, 5]
 DHC X-ray (X-ray Diffractometer) DHC twining
 4 Zr-2.5Nb
 2mm gauge
 560 °C 5x10⁻⁴/s



Fig. 3. Schematic illustration of (a) cantilever beam (CB) and (b) curved compact tension (CCT) specimens.

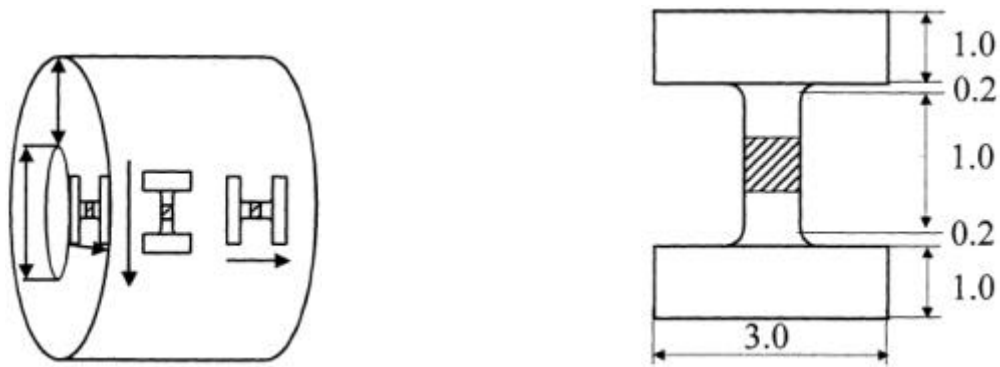


Fig. 4. Schematic diagram of the machining in a Zr-2.5Nb pressure tube and the dimension of a small tensile specimen.

3.

3.1. DHC

figures)	5	DHC	Zr-2.5Nb	(0001)	(0001) pole	(inverse pole
		, (0001)	(dead weight)	(basal pole component)	Kearns' number, f	0.67
twining		가		DHC	6	7
twining,		(basal pole component)		0.59	10%	DHC (1121) (1012)
(1012) twining		0.54		20%		
		twining				
						[10].

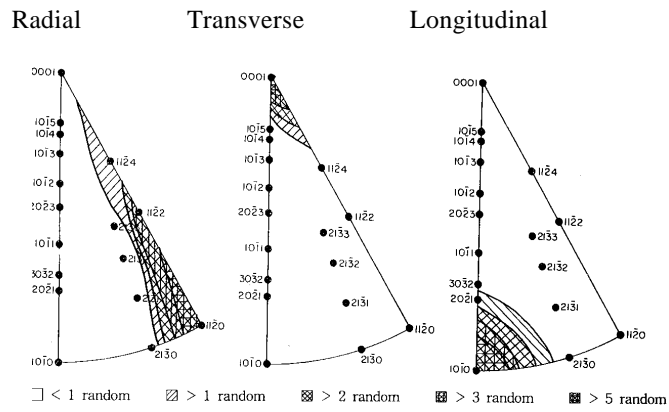


Fig. 5. Inverse pole figures for as-received pressure tube material

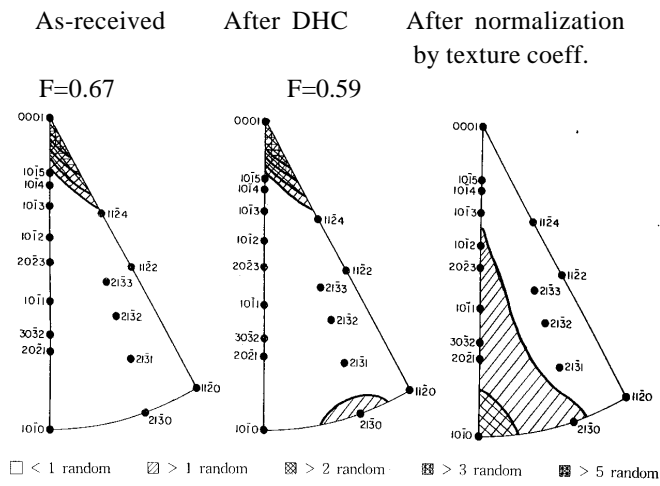


Fig. 6. Comparison of texture before and after DHC cracking in the radial direction

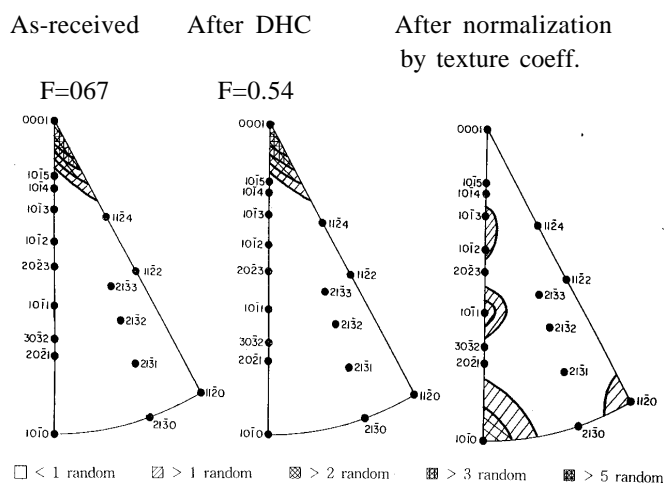


Fig. 7. Comparison of texture before and after cracking in the longitudinal direction

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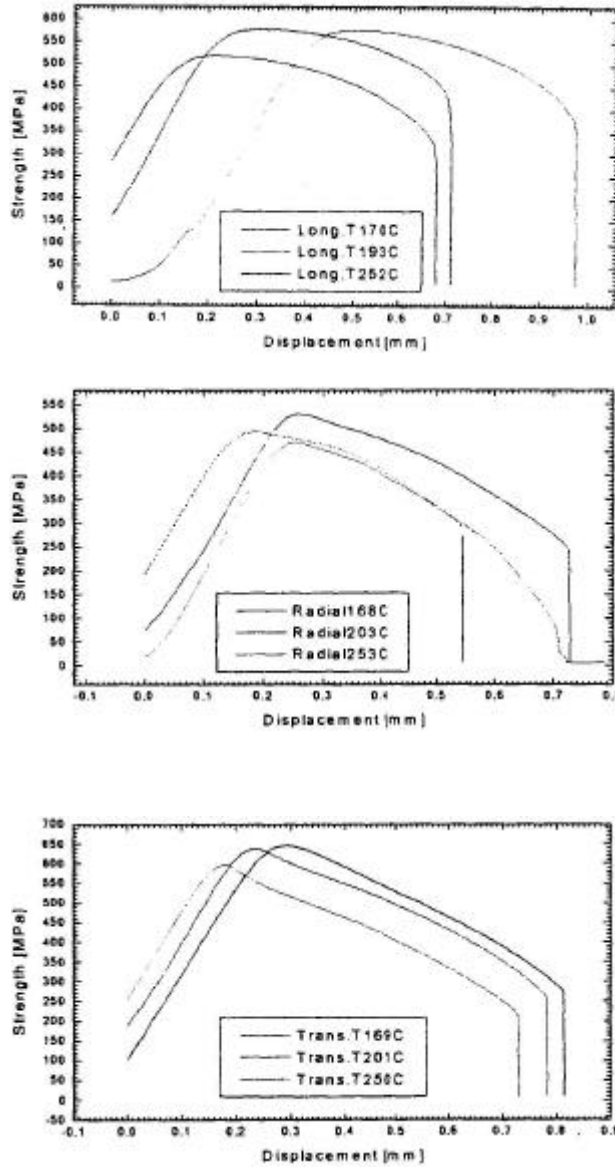


Fig. 10. Stress-strain curves at room temperature of the tensile specimens taken from the longitudinal, radial and transverse directions of Zr-2.5Nb pressure tube

4.

DHC

Puls [11]

(crack tip)

bulk

DHC

가

DHC

7-8 , 가
 DHC peak stress 가 bulk 가
 가
 (CB) DHC 가 (CT)
 7-8 가 가 , bulk
 가 DHC 가 1 300
 °C peak stress 가 가
 , 9 DHC K_{IH}
 , peak stress 가
 , 가 DHC K_{IH}

5.

- 1) Zr-2.5Nb twining 가
- 2) Zr-2.5Nb
- 3) Zr-2.5Nb DHC peak stress 가 bulk 가
- 4) 300 °C DHC

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